

By Their Fruits You Shall Know

Financial accountability is one of the most difficult tasks of our support ministry to the Kibbuse Foundation. We rely heavily on the power of the Holy Spirit for the day-to-day, trusting that just as God's Spirit guides our handling of time, resources and personnel here in the States with Friends of Kibbuse, so He is overseeing and providing the same good guidance for our Ugandan partners, 8000 miles away.

Over the last fifteen years, we have learned to trust the judgement and decision making of Kibbuse's leadership, both from Board members and with the directors of their two major projects, the vocational center and the clinic. They are the ones on the ground. They deal with the daily demands, unexpected hindrances and opportunities of Kibbuse's ministries.

However, we at Friends of Kibbuse try to do our best to help them do their best, particularly in regard to money management, since money is the major resource we provide. Money management in the Third World is not easy for those who are charged to steward it properly. Our friends in Nyamarwa Subcounty have done their best to report faithfully their use of the funds we send, and to share news of the good things they accomplish. It is by the fruit we see in those reports that we are assured that the Lord's provision is being well-invested "on the ground."



One of two new signs posted 2 km north and south of the clinic

GOOD SAMARITAN GOOD NEWS

We have been particularly encouraged by reports from Teddy Naluyima, the "In-Charge" at the St. James Good Samaritan Clinic. She has been submitting monthly reports for more than two years that demonstrate both vigorous and well-balanced medical service to growing numbers of patients. This demonstrates good use of both donations and income from fees and drug sales.

Her most recent email contained photos documenting purchase of a number of essentials; signage, furnishings, supplies and equipment. We want you to see with us this testimony of how your donations are being put to work. To read Teddy's latest report, [click here](#).



Laboratory In-Charge Beth Namukisa with the newly purchased microscope.



Two new patient beds and service cart;

Nearly three hundred patients visit each month, including infants and children for immunizations; and burn, malaria and water-borne disease victims. They are all lovingly treated by the clinic's able staff. On-site health care trainings on nutrition, hygiene and sexual health are periodically provided. Most encouraging is the growing number of women choosing to give birth at the Good Samaritan Clinic rather than at home. This is especially important in a remote region like Nyamarwa Subcounty, where infant and maternal morbidity are high because of unsanitary conditions in home births.



Baby scale and misc. maternity supplies with new work tables



New birthing table and extra sterilizable mattresses

Increasing response of the community to clinic services has led to an urgent need for more space, especially for expectant mothers. Uganda, especially in the rural regions, has one of the highest birth rates in the world. Nyamarwa Subcounty fits that characterization. Therefore, our next goal for the Good Samaritan Clinic is to seek funds for construction of a Maternity Ward, dedicated solely to birthing babies in the care of a full-time midwife or doctor.



Nursing chair for new mothers

MATERNITY WARD MATCHING FUND OPPORTUNITY!

A very generous legacy gift has now positioned us to inaugurate a Maternity Ward Matching Fund, and to let you readers have the first opportunity to respond with donations. We will not release money for construction until the Kibbuse Foundation has selected a contractor through competitive bidding and the project is fully funded. We would like to achieve this goal by next June, so that construction can be scheduled before the end of 2025.

EVERY DONATION, from \$1 to \$50,000, designated "Maternity Ward" will be matched \$ for \$ and set aside for construction of the proposed Good Samaritan Maternity Ward!

LIGHTENING THE LOAD

FINALLY, please pray that God will lead a gifted, skilled and trustworthy person to the Kibbuse Foundation Board who could take over the bulk of the day-to-day operational direction of the Clinic AND Vocational Center. By finding such a person, we hope the Kibbuse Board will be able to relieve Rev. James of the overwhelming burden of directing day-to-day operations. This will free him to use his considerable relational and inspirational skills to promote the work of the Foundation and to keep Kibbuse's operations and development on point morally and spiritually. "Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor." Eccl. 4:9.

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